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Re: AN ACT CONCERNING THE RIGHT TO DRY
<http://www.cga.ct.gov/2008/TOB/H/2008HB-05596-R00-HB.htm>

To Whom It May Concern:

As a homeowner in the state I feel compelled to write a letter in defense of my right to have a clothesline outdoors. I realize that I do not live in an area that restricts this (gated community comes to mind), but I would never want to see my right to have a clothesline in any way infringed upon, nor do I feel it is fair for communities to keep others from hanging a clothes line on their own property (who is paying the taxes the community or property owner?). Clothesline drying is, after all, the most efficient way to dry clothes, not to mention it can extend the life of a garment vs. using a clothes dryer.

Of the many household appliances we own, it is my understanding that the clothes dryer is a heavy user of electricity or gas. I choose to line dry primarily because I like the fresh air smell things off of the line have as well as the huge savings to my electric bill.

I have line dried clothes for well over 10 years of home ownership and urge you to support this act not only to protect peoples right to have a clothesline but to promote clotheslines as much as possible to help reduce the use of energy, and reduce the fossil fuel emissions into the air.

Trust me when I say I have a feeling of a deep connection with the past when people not only line dried their clothes but did the heavy work of hand washing all their garments. Every time I hang a piece of laundry on my clothesline I feel connected with an ancestry of people who have done the same act for generations before me. It is a very cathartic experience.

Very truly yours,
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